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**Decision Granting Petition under 37 CFR 1.138(c)**  
*The declaration of express abandonment is recognized*

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.138(c) that was filed on November 11, 2004, express abandonment to avoid publication of the above-identified application.

The petition is granted.

The express abandonment is recognized and the application has been withdrawn from publication.

A notice of abandonment is attached/will be mailed in due course.

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